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SUBJECT: PAI JU-PING NAMED SHANTUNG CIVILIAN BOSS

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1. FURTHER PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN FILLING PROVINCIAL LEADERSHIP POSITIONS VACATED IN THE SHIFT OF MILITARY COMMANDERS A YEAR AGO. CONFIRMING HIS TOP POSITION IN SHANTUNG PROVINCE AFFAIRS, A PROVINCIAL BROADCAST(DECEMBER 6) FOR THE FIRST TIME IDENTIFIED PAI JU-PING AS PARTY FIRST SECRETARY AND REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE (RC) CHAIRMAN. PAI, A FORMER GOVERNOR OF THE PROVINCE, WAS REHABILITATED IN 1971 AND MOVED UP TO BECOME SECOND SECRETARY AND A CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBER AT THE TENTH PARTY CONGRESS. HE WAS UNDER POSTER ATTACK EARLIER THIS YEAR (HONG KONG 4007) BUT CONTINUED TO APPEAR AS THE RANKING OFFICIAL IN THE PROVINCE IN GROUP TOURNOTS.

2. PAI JOINS KWANGTUNG'S CHAO TZU-YANG AND KWEICHOW'S LU JUI-

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LIN AS ONLY THE THIRD OFFICIAL TO BE NAMED TO THE HIGHEST

CIVILIAN JOBS (HONG KONG 9468; HONG KONG 4176), LEAVING
SEVEN PROVINCES WITHOUT IDENTIFIED OFFICE HOLDERS AT THE TOP.
THIS DESIGNATION IS OBVIOUSLY PART OF A LARGER PICTURE OF
APPOINTMENTS CURRENTLY UNDER WAY IN CHINA(REFTELS) AND PROBABLY
REFLECTS THE REGIME'S EFFORTS TO SORT OUT LEADERSHIP RELATIONS
PRIOR TO THE CONVENING OF A NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS.
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